

NEWS IS VERY MEAGRE

Regarding Flood Situation

WATER ROSE 31 FEET IN THREE HOURS

Much Loss of Life and Damage to Property is Reported

Roanoke, Va., June 24.—A telegram this afternoon dated Ennis, W. Va., from General Manager Johnson of the Norfolk and Western railway, says: "The best information is that about 60 people were drowned in the north fork of the Elk River. Property loss is about \$250,000. The Norfolk and Western railroad suffered severe damages to its tracks and trestles. Expect to be open for traffic some time Wednesday if we have no more storms."

Roanoke, Va., June 24.—Very little news has been received today from the flood. The train came in this noon but not much news could be gathered from the passengers. The train was running from Bluefield and Ennis, which places are just outside the territory visited by the cloudburst last Saturday morning.

How many are dead is not definitely known, and it necessarily will be several days before the exact number can be given out as official, but the various reports in circulation here are that all that all the way from 50 to 200 persons have been drowned. It is probably safe to assume that the former figure is more nearly correct than the latter. The damages to property will amount to hundreds of thousands of dollars. Miles of railroad track are washed out, and many bridges have been destroyed.

The devastated section covers an area of about twenty miles west of Bluefield. It is a narrow valley, not much wider than a broad street in some places. Coal mines are scattered all along the road. Keystone, the town reported to have been so greatly washed out, and which was at first believed to be wiped out of existence, is a village of between 2,000 and 3,000 people, and is built along the narrow valley and on the sides of the bluffs. A creek runs through the town, and over it houses are built on piles and rocks. This creek runs in a zigzag way through the narrow village, and has a gradual fall. The mountains on either side loom up for hundreds of feet and the town is so narrow in places that on its sides it is obliged to go into the middle of it to see the sky. Persons familiar with the situation of the town say it would be a death trap if the flood was as heavy as reported. Yet they reason that as the flood occurred in the day time there was no reason why many people should have been caught in the crush of the waters. All reports agree that between 200 and 250 houses were swept away in the 24th Horn valley, but of course not all of the occupants were drowned.

The railroad people are rushing material and supplies to the Elk River, over a hundred and fifty laborers came in over the Kanawha and Southern today on an extra train and went west, and nearly all the work trains on the road have been sent to the Elk River vicinity. J. W. Croft, a fireman on the Norfolk and Western road, who resides in this city, received a message yesterday from Bluefield, that his father, mother, one sister, two brothers and sister in law, and her two children were lost in the flood Saturday at Keystone. Mr. Croft's people lived in the center of the town. Another brother of Croft's who escaped, informed Mr. Croft at Bluefield Saturday that he saw the Croft's house move off in the waters. E. H. Stewart, a furniture dealer in this city, was in the midst of all the storm, and traveled on foot nearly the



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At Keokuk the depot was washed away and yesterday when Mr. Stewart left, it had not been found. He walked from Keokuk to Ennis, and was taken from there to Bluefield, arriving in Roanoke today. Mr. Stewart's statement can be relied on as being a truthful story of the flood and the most complete statement as far given out.

An official telegram from Ennis says the water came in a wave and so sudden that people could not get out of the way of it. The water rose to a height of six feet in thirty minutes.

GOVERNOR WHITE'S INFORMATION.

CHARLESTON, W. Va., June 24.—At 10 o'clock tonight Governor White had not received any definite information from the Pocahontas district, although he had worked the wires in every conceivable direction. He said in personal representative dispatches this evening to the press but were unable to reach the ground inside of 24 hours. He has no idea of the extent of the disaster.

The damage from flood in the Kanawha valley will reach \$100,000. Houses, barns, fences, crops and trunks of cars on the coal roads were washed away. At Boone twenty-three other houses were washed out and wrecked, while the new coal works and Black Branch trestle were washed away, and the bridge of the Davis-Gordon company was wrecked by a floating house.

THE NEWS AT HUNTINGTON.

HUNTINGTON, W. Va., June 24.—The tremendous high water in the river caused by a cloudburst among the White waters of that stream on Saturday is a thing unprecedented in the history of that section. A death destruction of property along the Kanawha and Tygart rivers and the Tygart river to its mouth is appalling. The cloudburst occurred near the headwaters of the Elk River and Tygart rivers, whose confluence near Welch from the main Tygart river. Though both of these streams were swollen far beyond any proportions which they were ever before known to assume, the former one, which is traversed by the Norfolk and Western railway for a distance of about twenty miles, was by far the highest, and it is reported that for a distance of about ten miles that road is practically a wreck and several days will be required to repair the great damage which has been done. Along the coal regions of the Elk River and the numerous big plants lower down, box cars were swept away in the rushing flood and lodged against the rugged mountain sides. A few houses were carried down the Tygart river even as far as below the falls. Many of the cars were loaded with lumber. All the numerous lumber plants are

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